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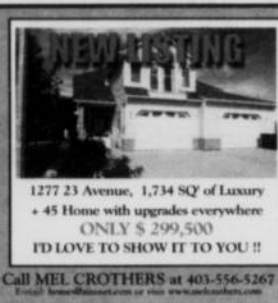
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**REACH** • Children participate in a soccer camp hosted by Chinook Winds Christian Centre last Saturday. Another soccer Saturday is planned for July 30.

## Thompson raises \$3,000 for homelessness

BY PAUL FREY  
Review Staff

Zephaniah Thompson completed his walk from Olds to Didsbury on Wednesday in about three hours and 15 minutes, rolling into the Didsbury train station at about 1:30 p.m. to a small group of supporters. Along the route, he also took in over \$300 from people who lined the route in support of the nine-year-old, who set out to raise awareness about, and funds for homelessness.

Didsbury's bylaw officer met the walking group — numbering about 25 — at the Highway 2A turnoff and gave it an escort into town, complete with lights and siren.

"It was great but it was tiring,"

Thompson said, adding that he was extremely appreciative of all the people who joined him for his walk. "It was really nice that everybody ... supported me to get to the end."

Thompson also said he thought it was great to see all the support at the Didsbury train station.

"It was quite cool," he said, noting the most difficult part was going up the hill toward Didsbury.

Sarah Thompson, Zephaniah's mom, said she was "blown away" with the support he received.

"I was just absolutely, incredibly blown away by the whole day. First of all, all the support that was there at the beginning — all the people that came and walked with him — was phenomenal," she said.

Mayor Brian Wittal presented Thompson with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of Didsbury council, said he was extremely encouraged by Thompson's awareness and his willingness to take initiative. At the prior night's town council meeting, councillors donated \$100 toward his cause.

"For a young man like that to take an initiative like this I think is something that definitely needs to be supported by the community," he said, adding it was great to see how the effort came together in such a short time.

Wittal said he was also impressed with Thompson's awareness of such a complex issue.

"The homeless scenario is not just a city problem and so I think for him (it)

certainly shows that he's ... concerned about his community and not just play parks and skate parks but he also understands and realizes that there's some other issues and concerns out there," he said.

Judy Dahl, mayor of Olds, who walked the route with Thompson, said he did extremely well.

"What a courageous little boy he is. The first leg of it, we had to take a little break and run into the (Mountain View) County office, just to change his shoes," she said.

Dahl said the support Thompson received on his walk was excellent. A total of six players from the Olds Grizzlies also walked the route with him.

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# Opinion

## Editorial

### Norway attacks come as a warning

DAN SINGLETON



Premier Ed Stelmach has spoken truly on behalf of all Albertans in expressing outrage and sorrow over the horrific right-wing terrorist attacks in Norway that took the lives of dozens of people, including many children and teens.

"We share the grief and horror the world is feeling over these repugnant actions," said Stelmach. "We can only hope that people who promote extreme beliefs without respect for the views of others may realize from this tragic event what extremism can result in."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper echoed Stelmach's comments, calling the attacks an affront to all nations and to all decent people.

"Canada condemns these barbarous and senseless acts of violence and our thoughts and prayers are with the victims, witnesses and all those affected by these attacks," said Harper. "We deeply regret the loss of life and injuries."

Police say the man allegedly responsible for the killings, 32-year-old Anders Behring Breivik, may have been motivated by hatred, targeting non-Christians simply because their presence in Norwegian society offended him.

While Norway may seem to be a world away from West Central Alberta, the very fact that such a terrible event happened in a peaceful and law-abiding place should and must serve as a warning that such things can happen anywhere.

Canada, of course, has already been the victim of its own horrific terrorist act when the Air India bombing killed more than 300 people in 1985. Obviously past experience has shown that hatred can fester and grow in any society – whether it's Canada, Norway, the U.S. or elsewhere – building to a boiling point and then erupting in violence and carnage, all too often targeting innocent civilians.

The sad fact is that when it comes to hate-motivated crimes, complete prevention is not always possible.

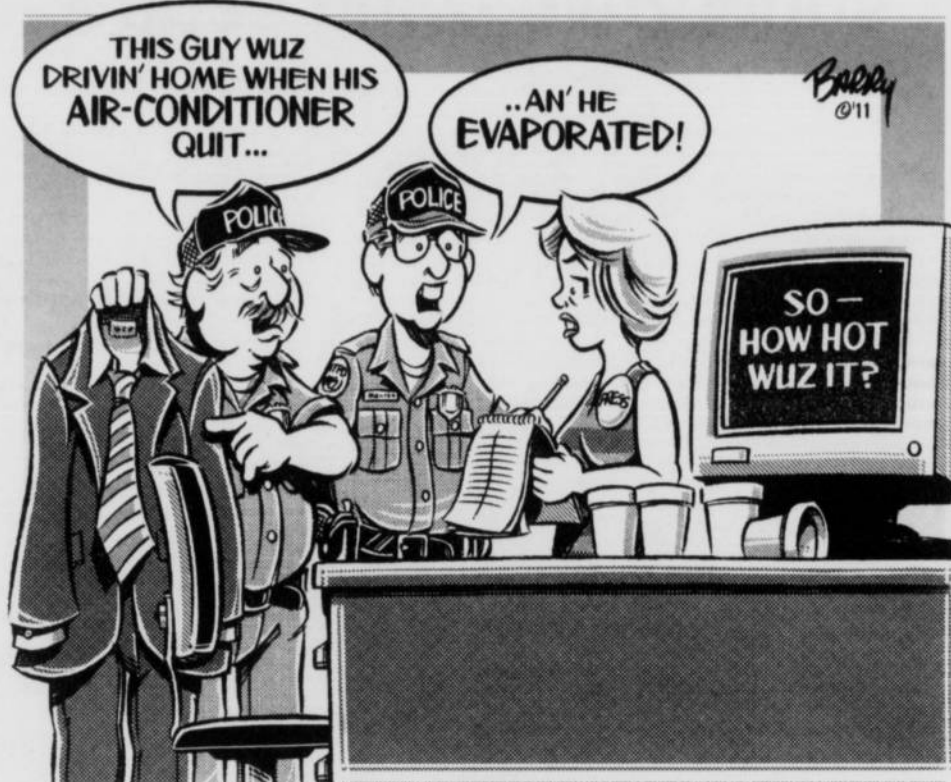
Yet residents in West Central Alberta can play an important role in heading off hatred motivated crime before it takes root.

First and foremost ordinary Albertans can do their part by promoting tolerance and understanding in their every day lives, making sure their communities are open and welcoming to everyone, regardless of race, creed, religion and other such things.

When intolerance is encountered, the best way to fight it is to stand up to it and make those who hate know they are never welcome.

And of course anyone hearing about possible terrorist or other extremist activities in the region should contact the police without delay.

Extremists are difficult to fight because they utterly reject all that is good and decent in law-abiding society – rejecting them just as completely is the best way to turn the tables.



## Commentary

### PC candidates must step up on education

With their nomination papers filed and \$40,000 deposits firmly in the hands of the Progressive Conservative Party, it only took two days for all six leadership hopefuls to start piling on their leader and the decisions he has made. The first subject is the government's approach to education spending, but any criticism of Premier Ed Stelmach's decisions automatically begs the question, didn't most of the candidates help make it?

Rick Orman, Gary Mar, Doug Horner, Alison Redford, Doug Griffiths and Ted Morton were speaking out against Stelmach's treatment of education over the last two years that saw the government first withholding funds earmarked to increase teachers' salaries per the five-year deal in place, then giving teachers their cash this year but holding out on school boards with no promises of any significant relief in sight.

Orman and Mar can be forgiven in this case because neither was a sitting member of the government at the time. But of the four remaining candidates, Horner, Redford and Morton were cabinet ministers before they resigned their posts to run for the leadership. And Griffiths is a PC MLA who served on several different committees and as a parliamentary secretary. So the question naturally follows – weren't Redford, Horner, Morton and Griffiths a part

of the decision to withhold funding from education both this year and last? And if they now find it so

**"All have their pet projects, but the biggest question that plagues education right now is the issue of funding"**

detestable as to criticize their soon-to-be former party leader, why didn't they do or say anything about it at the time?

Only Orman and Mar can claim innocence in this debate and in others that are sure to arise as a result of Stelmach's tenure, but the rest will face guilt by association. Starting with the first debate in Vermilion on Thursday, it will be an important tactic for the former cabinet ministers and lone MLA to distance themselves from their leader on this particular issue and others that will arise. But besides criticizing the approach they supported when they were in cabinet, what will Horner, Redford, Morton and Griffiths have to offer in terms of sustainable education funding?

It seems everyone except Morton is ready to do something, but the specifics are murky, as is usually the case in a campaign of any kind. Morton has already stated he believes school boards receive more than enough government money, meaning no additional funding is necessary – his sights are set on post-secondary education. Orman believes in honouring agreements, such as the five-year deal the government struck with Alberta teachers, but doesn't want to give the school boards any more money in a time of deficit. Both Griffiths and Redford have issued little more than "the children are our future" statements in calling for more funding for education, while Horner and Mar are both committed to "adequate" and "sustainable funding."

All have their pet projects, but the biggest question that plagues education right now is the issue of funding, where it will come from and whether or not it will be reliable and sustainable. Saying you're committed is one thing but proving it is quite another. PC members and, later on, Albertans as a whole will need to hear and see a lot more than what's being offered before they are willing to accept that these candidates aren't just Stelmach in another form.

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## Mayor's Corner

### Stand up and show your community pride

The vision for Didsbury that council created was a place where everyone had a sense of community pride. This vision became the genesis for the Didsbury Community Pride Campaign. One of the most effective ways and maybe one of the most self-rewarding ways of demonstrating community pride is being a good neighbour.



BRIAN WITTAL

When you visit a new community, it may be located in one of the most beautiful settings you have ever experienced, or have the most awesome buildings you have ever witnessed, but it's the people who make that experience – the setting or the infrastructure only make it better. Visions, mission statements, municipal plans and infrastructure don't make great communities. People do.

And, it's not just being friendly to visitors; it is being a good neighbour to everyone. Over the years we have had a lot of great neighbours and this is what they have taught us:

Good neighbours are responsible pet owners. They kept their cat at home which meant that my flower bed didn't have all those lovely surprises. They loved their dog but never let him bark continually. When they took their dog for a walk, they took along little "poop bags" and they used them.

Good neighbours make a real effort to reach out. The good ones came over and introduced themselves when we moved in. Getting to know my neighbours really made the difference.

Then as time went on, those neighbours also respected our privacy.

Good neighbours understand the cruelty of gossip. One of the most common complaints about a small town is the gossip. Good neighbours never keep the gossip chain going.

Some neighbours in the past have had a

more natural front landscape, using lots of rock and shrubs. Some had totally maintenance-free landscaping, while others were proud of their well-maintained lawns. The key is it doesn't matter what kind of landscape you choose, good neighbours respect their neighbourhood by keeping their yard and home well maintained and clutter free.

My good neighbours didn't have loud parties that kept us up at night. In fact, my really good neighbours invited us to the party.

Our good neighbours have always volunteered to watch the house, water the plants and cut the grass while we were on holidays. Just knowing that our house was being watched helped us have better holidays.

Although I liked to think that I was a good neighbor too, sometimes our animals got loose and sometimes I parked our holiday trailer so that it made it hard for the neighbour to access his garage. It wasn't that I didn't care, sometimes I just didn't think. Our good neighbours never got angry, they just came to me and we talked about it.

Lastly, we used to have block parties that really helped us get to know our neighbours better. Those parties brought us all closer together and they were really fun nights.

Did you know that Didsbury Neighbourhood Place is willing to give you some pointers on organizing a block party? If you are interested, call 403-335-8719. If you talk really nicely to Dean, she might find some "giveaways" to help make your party even more successful.

If you would like a member of council to come and talk to you about having a party, invite us. We like parties and we also want to show our Didsbury Community Pride.

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING: Tuesday September 13, 2011 at 7:00 pm  
MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION: Wednesday August 10, 2011 at 4:30 pm  
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Anyone with questions or concerns can contact Melissa Trotter, Community Peace Officer and Animal Control Officer at 403.335.7398.

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## Community briefs

### Town hires planning group

Urban Systems has been hired as planning consultants for the Town of Didsbury. With the recent departure of Didsbury's former manager of planning and infrastructure, Brittany Wickham, town and council have been looking at different options for replacement. Last week, the planning company based out of Calgary was hired as Didsbury's planning consultants. The decision was made by council to pay for services as needed on an hourly basis instead of hiring someone and paying for a permanent position. "When development picks up and we find we require a permanent full-time individual we will then re-visit hiring a planner," explained Luana Smith, manager of legislative and planning services. Gary Younde, a senior consultant with 35 years of experience will work with Curesha Moodley, with 14 years of service for the town. The two will be handling large subdivision and development agreements as well as area structure plans. They will attend municipal

planning commission and council meetings as needed and will check in with the town once a week. Younde will receive \$185 for his service and Moodley \$135, down from their regular fees of \$200 plus for Younde and \$150 for Moodley. Urban Systems has worked on the town with past projects, the latest being Shantz Crossing Business Park.

### Lawn care discussed

Where to draw the line when it comes to unsightly premises was discussed during a committee of the whole meeting Tuesday.

"Council should be aware it will be a focus in the next while because it's been an issue for a lot of residents," said CAO Roy Brown of concerns over unkempt yards.

Council was asked to give direction to admin on what they considered to be unsightly and agreed that unused items scattered over the lawn, clumps of dirt and unused motor vehicle parts were eyesores.

"... (when there's) junk all over the

yard, wooden logs stacked up almost into the alley," said Coun. Gail Veno of examples. "Things scattered over the lawn with no rhyme or reason why it's there but looks like it's been thrown out, garage doors off the hinges and lawns (that don't) look like they're taken care of," she said of things she's seen.

When it came to uncut lawns there was some discussion over the natural lawn versus the manicured lawn.

"We were taken to task for the natural lawn," said Veno of Southridge Valley Park that was tried as a natural park last year. "We tried the natural way and the residents didn't like it. According to them it's unsightly," she said.

"If it's a permaculture thing where natural grasses are being changed," said Coun. LaVar Adams. "... let's say the lawn is being switched out to natural, you're going to see changes from manicured lawn to lawn that's taller. But if it's just 'grass gone wild' that would be unsightly," he said.

"Grass lawns should be cut and manicured," said Mayor Brian Wittal, adding that it's the responsibility of the home-

owner to keep their premises looking clean.

Council didn't give any directions to amend the current bylaw.

"It's important to know that as representatives of the community these are your expectations," said Brown.

The current bylaw, untidy and unsightly property, can be viewed at the Town of Didsbury website under bylaws.

### Council retreat planned

Council agreed to hold its annual council retreat in town this year as a way to save some dollars on gas and hotel fares.

The retreat will be held September 15-16 and council requested admin look into using a conference room at the museum.

Last year council spent the first week of November in Canmore and developed council's goals for the year as well as its strategic plan for the next three. LaVar Adams and Peter Versylus will be responsible for preliminary planning for this year's retreat.

-S.C

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# Two children celebrate first birthday in Canada

BY SYLVIA COLE  
Review Staff

It was the first time Samrawit and Joseph Andrews celebrated their birthdays, and the two could hardly stay still.

"I can't believe this," said Joseph, 9, impatiently bouncing as he spoke. "This is so much fun, I'm having a great time," he said before quickly running back towards the bouncy castle.

The two celebrated their birthdays in Kinsmen Park where a bouncy castle was set up as well as a face-painting table. Samrawit, 8, could barely stay still long enough to

talk. She kept sprinting around on the grass.

"This is the first time they've had a birthday party," said mother Sherree Andrews. Andrews and her husband adopted the two from Ethiopia in November. She said since the two have arrived they've experienced a lot of firsts including the first time at a playground, an amusement park and now, their birthday party.

"They can just be kids. And they don't have to worry."

The Andrews were introduced to the idea of adoption when meeting a pastor, Eyob Mamo, in Montreal during a church

retreat. Mamo lives in Addis Ababa, the capital city in Ethiopia and oversees Crusaders Ethiopia, a network of over 200 churches in the country with branches in Sudan and Kenya. In November, the Andrews went to Ethiopia for 10 days to meet their children and their home country.

"Nothing prepares you for what you see," said Sherree Andrews, who travelled with her husband to meet the two children they were soon to adopt. "You see it on TV but that doesn't show you just how poor it is there," she said.

As part of the birthday

celebrations on Thursday, the family decided to also collect dollars to go towards a school in Dilla, 100 kilometres away from the capital city, a project Mamo is working on. He said the land is secured, and the next step is working on the development.

"It will support about 40

children," he said. "The money will go towards school fees, supplies, nutrition and food." He said most children are orphaned or live with single parents and finding food occupies most of their day.

"They're told to go out into the streets and look

for food. And meals aren't what we would think of a meal, a full plate of food. It's just, whatever you can find."

Anyone interested in learning more about the project, or interested in helping, is asked to contact the Chinook Winds Church at 403-335-3551.



**GIDDY UP-** Kris Kemp of Didsbury competes in a saddle bronc event at the Dogpound Rodeo last Wednesday.

## Tour de Didsbury coming up

BY SYLVIA COLE  
Review Staff

Community service workers are peddling their plans for an upcoming Tour de Didsbury.

They hope to get the word out to as many people as possible about the bike ride through the neighbourhoods August 6.

"It's a family fun bike race," explained Ariel Holtz, lifeguard at the Memorial Complex. The race is the second event Didsbury has hosted since June, as part of the ChooseWell project, a healthy eating and active living initiative supported by Alberta Health and Wellness and managed by the Alberta Recreation and Parks Association.

Nicole Aasen, manager of community services, said Didsbury has participated in the event in past years but hasn't in the last two.

"We're trying events this year to see if there's any interest." She said the motivation to bring the event back came after

noticing other health and wellness initiatives that have started up in Didsbury including the Lifestyle Wellness Challenge with Primary Care Network.

Last month, the first of five events kicked off with a five-kilometre run around town. Aasen said about a dozen people turned out despite the bad weather and rain. August 6 will be the Tour de Didsbury. Holtz said the run will start from the complex at ten and have cyclists travel over to 19th Avenue and then onto 23 Street before winding back to the pool. The roads will be marked with chalk or signs.

"There will be a free bike tune-up from 9 to 10 before the race starts," said Aasen. Plans for a softball tournament for August 26 are in the works and anyone interested is asked to call the Memorial Complex for more information. An ice skate derby is planned for September with a swimathon in October.

"There's no cost, there's prizes," said Aasen. "It's worth it to participate and

be part of healthy living."

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Jessica Giles of the Cowboy Trail Blazers is all smiles after receiving an award in an English Equitation event at the Calgary Regional 4-H Horse Show held at the Olds Ag Society ground last weekend.

Noel West/Didsbury Review

# Over 100 participate in annual show

BY SYLVIA COLE AND  
JARED SIEMENS  
Review Staff

For Raegen Harper, the best part of the regional 4-H horse show is the fun. Raegen, a member of the 4-H group from Didsbury, the Outlaws, loves coming out for the three-day event every year.

"Some people say the event is a little slow because it covers three days. But if you get ready in the morning you can spend the day watching the show and meeting people before you perform. It's great for beginners too, because they get a lot of experience that way," she said of taking in events and talking with others.

Raegan, from Carstairs, has been part of club in Didsbury for the last five years. She competed in all the different events over the weekend but her favourite by far, was western equitation.

"I have a young mare, she's really good at quick little moves," she said, explaining that the horse has to complete different patterns and being able to move quickly helps.

About 180 participants brought their horses and competed in the 2011 4-H Regional Horse Show last weekend at the Olds Ag Society Grounds.

The show, which ran from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, saw participants from across the province meeting to display their horses and exhibit their talents as riders.

"The kids have been working all year on their horse projects," said Maggie Smart Miller, the

Calgary Regional 4-H Horse Show chairperson.

"This is a big show for them to come to. They can show off what they've learned, their riding skills."

Each day saw competitors showing off their skills in different disciplines, with English riding on Friday and Western riding on Saturday. A trail riding event was also held Saturday, with the weekend culminating in a gymkhana on Sunday.

Gymkhana is an equestrian event in which riders are timed to see who can complete various games on horseback in the least amount of time. This includes barrel pulls, thread the needle and speed pattern racing, amongst others.

"We always want to get more experience," said Melissa Pochopsky of Didsbury, president of Outlaws 4-H group, of why they come out to the regional event each year. "When we compete at district level events, it's with people from around here and we're really close with everyone. But when it's the regional level there's a lot more competition and it makes you want to come out each year to try and win," she said.

Quinn Powers of Calgary was ecstatic that she won two first-place ribbons. It was her first year riding and competing, and has only given her the desire to come back.

"It's really nice here. I was against four other people and I didn't feel nervous around them," she said.

Stephanie Griffiths, with Ropes and Reins based out of Olds, agrees. She said the atmosphere is friendly,

and fun.

"You know months in advance that the show is coming but it always sneaks up on you, and that's fine. I think the best part of this whole event is the staying up all night talking and bonding with everyone else," she said.

The weekend's festivities are free of charge, due to the sponsorship received from organizations (namely the Olds Ag Society) and companies like Kubota (that sponsors the High Point competition's belt-buckle prizes), said Smart Miller.

Riders vary in experience from levels one through six, and a high point prize is given out at each level.

Smart Miller said the 4-H Regional Horse Show gives the 4-H members of all age ranges (9-21) the opportunity to network amongst co-ed peers with similar interests.

"They can make some lifelong friends through 4-H."

4-H events are a family-friendly affair, as the adolescents, teens, and adults involved are required to have a parent present, said Smart Miller.

"Both the kids and the parents will be working together to put this show on. They're used to working with their parents."

Smart Miller has been involved in 4-H Horse Clubs for 11 years, and currently leads the Bow Valley 4-H Horse Club.

"If you've got a horse, try it," said Smart Miller. "It's just a great, great program, and I encourage people to do it."



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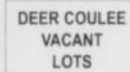
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inal side. "We hope whoever is responsible returns them or we could be looking at charges of theft."

## Sour gas compressor station broken into

A sour gas compressor station located on Wescott Road south of Hwy. 2A was broken into last week. Sometime between 8 p.m. on July 19th and 2 a.m. July 20 the lock on the gate was cut off and an individual or individuals entered the property, stealing a hoist to lift up oil drums, hand-held radios and repeaters, a Makita drill and pipe threader. At this point police have no witnesses or suspects but believe they are looking for a lifted up vehicle with big mud tires. Deep threaded tire tracks were left on scene. As well, a wildlife camera posed in a tree nearby captured movement of a bigger vehicle that had come down the road and done a loop before returning into the property quickly before leaving. When police went through the hayfield they noticed none of the grass had been pushed over where tire marks were seen, suggesting that the vehicle was high enough up to not move the grass.

## Tires slashed

A camper trailer parked outside of a residence along the 300 block of Carriage Lane was the target of mischief last week. Sometime between 9:30

p.m. on July 14 and early the next morning the tires were slashed. No witnesses or suspects are known at this time.

## Mailbox hoisted away

A large mailbox was stolen from a rural property eight miles east of Carstairs on Rge. Rd. 283. Police don't have a full description of the mailbox but said it required a front-end loader or tractor to lift it out of the ground. The owners had been on holiday when it was taken and returned home to find it missing. The theft would have occurred sometime between July 5 at 8 p.m. and July 15 at 5 p.m.

## Window busted

A window of a Ford Explorer was smashed in along the 2100 block of 15th Avenue in Didsbury. The rear window was smashed but the vehicle was not rummaged through. This occurred between 10 at night July 9 and 8:30 in the morning of July 16.

## Licence plate nabbed

A licence plate was stolen off a vehicle on the 2100 block of 12th Avenue in Didsbury sometime between 4 p.m. July 16 and 11:30 the next morning. Residents reported they heard noises around 2:30 a.m. but didn't notice anything out of the ordinary

until the next morning when the plate was gone. Plate number is BCY 7882.

## Beef and Barley Days

Enhanced police presence was set up during Beef and Barley Days. "There were no serious issues but as always, a number of things did pop up," said Sgt. Jeff Jacobson. A couple of reports from the weekend include complaints of loud music coming from the rodeo grounds up until midnight as well as loud music coming from the Carstairs Curling Club until 1 a.m. Police said during a traffic stop a couple from Calgary with outstanding warrants were discovered and 28 grams of marijuana was seized. On Friday a 2008 Hyundai Accent was hit by what witnesses believe was a lifted dark Chevy truck along 10th Avenue and Gough Road that left the scene. Resulting damage was under \$1,000. "It looks like it stayed as a fairly safe weekend for people who came out to enjoy the rodeo," said Jacobson. "The increased police presence helps make sure it stays a safe event. We handle situations before they become big issues," he said, using the example of increased police presence at the bars Saturday night. "Police stood around at the end and started to send people home."

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**Beatrice Emilia Weidner (Landeem)**  
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Beatrice was born on April 2, 1916 to Erick and Sarah Landeen in Mizpah, Alberta, moving to the "old Hendry farm" west of Didsbury on March 17, 1926.

Pre-deceased by: son Gary, husband Bill (William), brothers Doug Landeen (Jenny) and John Landeen, sister-in-law Lila Krebs, brothers-in-law Allen Krebs and Kemp Rowell.

She is survived by: daughter Arlene (Merril Knudtson), grandchildren, Heila Lukas (Carl) and Gavan Tanney (Alida), six very special great-grandchildren, (Drayden, Regan, Mara, Vivian, Finley, and Juliet). She is further survived by two sisters, Sally Rowell and Ethel Bowerman (Jack), two sisters-in-law Eva Landeen and Kay Landeen as well as numerous nieces and nephews. As a young girl in the 1920s, she walked and went via horse and buggy to the Mizpah and then Melvin Schools. Bea loved music, singing, and dancing, and recounts driving in the buggy for hours to get to a dance. She taught herself to play the violin and harmonica. She worked at Olds College prior to her marriage in 1942 to Bill (William) Weidner. She loved living on the farm and being part of the Westcott community. She was a dedicated wife and mother, always there for her family. The death of their only son, Gary, at the age of 21, was a tragic event in their lives. She was always on the go with gardening, active in the Westcott Women's Institute, taking ceramic classes, doing handicrafts of many kinds, teaching Sunday School at the Westcott Church and square dancing regularly. She had a quick sense of humour, loved to laugh, and demonstrated perseverance, practicality, common sense, and a keen desire to "not waste anything".

In later years, Bea enjoyed living in College Green, and subsequently the Aspen Ridge Lodge. Her faith was always strong and she regularly attended Knox United Church. She sang with the 5-0 Singers and United Church Choir and enjoyed many travels and cruises with family or friends. She advocated taking care of one's health long before the health promotion movement became popular.

She so enjoyed playing cards and visiting with family and friends, and time spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were cherished times. It was a blessing that she was able to recently celebrate her 95th birthday with so many of her family in attendance.

Thanks does not express the gratitude for the many individuals who have cared for her either as caregiver or friend, throughout the past few years who helped diagnose her medical conditions or helped maintain her health, and then cared for her either while in Aspen Ridge Lodge or Unit 4 where she spent her final few weeks. You went "above and beyond" to ensure her well-being.

Funeral services will be held at the Knox United Church in Didsbury on July 25, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow at the Westcott Cemetery followed by lunch and fellowship at Westcott Community Center. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Didsbury Knox United Church or the charity of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to Mountain View Funeral Chapel 1413 - 21 Ave, Didsbury, Alberta. Phone: 403-335-4773.



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**\$99,900**

2202 - 20 Street



Terrific commercial land in down town Didsbury, 336 feet of frontage, fully serviced in 2 places, great location  
**\$199,900**

1912 - 20 Street



Great Commercial Building on Didsbury's busiest block, over 2500 sq ft, solid tenant with a long term lease, some additional space to rent as well  
**\$249,900**

2313 - 17 Avenue



Many upgrades including furnace, shingles, main floor windows and more! 3+1 bedrooms, claw foot tub, excellent location  
**\$259,900**

## THE PORCH BOYZ



"Summer" buying and "summer" selling!

1435 - 22 Avenue



Complete duplex on 100' X 120' lot, one 3 bedroom and one 2 bedroom, double garage, great potential  
**\$279,900**

39 Meadowview Court



Terrific newer home with self contained basement suite, leather heat to basement, gas fireplace, open floor plan, large lot with back lane  
**\$354,900**

206 Campus Green



Terrific 45+ suite, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, all appliances, reasonable condo fees, overlooking courtyard, great neighbors  
**\$189,900**

2038 - 23 Avenue



A real charmer in a mature area, 3 bedrooms, large lot, garage and carport, lots of recent upgrades  
**\$219,900**

58 Southridge Crescent



Move-in ready home, 2 + 1 bedrooms, fireplace, 2 tiered deck, backs onto huge park  
**\$214,900**

1301 - 24 Street



3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, bright country kitchen, drilled well, petted stone in basement family room, direct access to large double garage, nice courtyard area  
**\$239,900**

1525 - 20 Avenue



A real character! 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, newer vinyl siding and windows, single garage, residential/commercial zoning  
**\$149,900**

6 Valarosa Drive



open floor plan, vaulted ceiling, hickory kitchen cabinets, jetted tub, mostly developed basement, large double garage, only 5 years old  
**\$274,900**

32 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



Complete renal! New windows, siding, roof, drywall, flooring, furnace, countertops, paint, fixtures and more. Ready to move on in!  
**\$49,900**

1909 - 17 Street



45+ condo living at its best, 2 bedrooms, new hardwood flooring, fresh paint, oak kitchen, open floor laundry, double garage, reasonable fees  
**\$219,900**

8 Westhill Place



Great family duplex, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, newer laminate, fireplace, excellent location close to schools and parks  
**\$169,900**

#79 DMHP



1055 sq ft mobile on rented lot, 3 bedrooms, new kitchen, new bath, newer flooring and paint, many more upgrades  
**\$57,900**

1712 - 22 Avenue



Family home on large lot, 3 + 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, jetted tub, hardwood floors, many more upgrades  
**\$239,900**

1306 - 23 Avenue



No Condo Fees! Lovely 45+ unit, hardwood, vaulted ceilings, kitchen island and pantry, gas fireplace, quiet area by the hospital  
**\$249,900**

1350 - 23 Street



\$10,000 CASH BACK AT CLOSING! Lots of space for the whole family, 1690 sq ft, wood stove, double garage, double lot  
**\$299,900**

1513 - 19 Avenue



Great starter home, nice country kitchen with island and patio doors to deck, single garage, fenced yard, quiet area  
**\$219,000**

#3, 701 - 23 Street



3 bedroom 4 plex, 1 1/2 baths, upgrades to flooring, kitchen, new bay window, amazing home theatre projection system, a cut above the rest  
**\$129,900**

12 Goddard Circle, Carstairs



Beautiful newer home, open plan, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, sprinkler system, triple attached garage  
**\$349,900**

6 College Green Close



Lovely upgraded condo, hardwood, gas fireplace, 2+1 bedrooms, 3 baths, main floor laundry, fully finished, prime location  
**\$254,900**

Newly Subdivided!



2 acreage parcels close to Didsbury, drilled well and power, newly located on a ravine, great access to QEW  
**3.46 Acres \$249,900**  
**2.62 Acres \$239,900**

1502 - 14 Street



End unit, fully finished, hardwood floors, nicely finished, fenced, ready to move in  
**\$249,900**

209 Morris Place



3 + 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, fully finished, covered deck, fully fenced large yard, shows well  
**\$357,000**

2310 - 15 Avenue



Beautiful treed yard, 3 + 1 bedrooms, walk-up from the basement, single garage, south facing deck  
**\$272,500**

19 Valarosa Drive



Great curb appeal, shows great inside and out, 5 bedrooms, 3 baths, hardwood, leather heat, much more!  
**\$338,800**

104 Westpoint Place



Fully developed, 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, hickory kitchen, large yard, preferred location  
**\$349,900**